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In re Patent Application of: Alderson et al.

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For: Use of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor 2 to

Treat Photoreceptor Cells (as amended)

Group Art Unit: 1647

Examiner: R. Landsman

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 10, 2003 (Paper No. 18), please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants note that the present response is timely submitted with a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) Fee Transmittal Sheet (in duplicate), with appropriate fee; (b) a Petition for Extension of Time for one month (1), with appropriate fee, up to and including July 10, 2003, (b) an Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO/SB/08; (c) Submission of Substitute/ Replacement Drawings; and (d) Thirty-eight (38) Sheets of Formal Drawings containing Figures 1A-1E, 2A-2D, 3A-3B, 4-7, 8A-8B, 9-13, 14A-14D, 15, 16A-16C, 17A-17B, 18A-18C, 19A-19C, 20A-20B, 21A-C, and 22-25.

Amendment to the Title begins on page 3.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 and include attached replacement sheets containing Figures 1A-1E, 2A-2D, 3A-3B, 4-7, 8A-8B, 9-13, 14A-14D, 15, 16A-16C, 17A-17B, 18A-18C, 19A-19C, 20A-20B, 21A-C, and 22-25.

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